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Hongkong, January 3, 1912.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

The following cases were heard at the Magistracy to-day:—

CONCEALMENT OF ARMS.
On Saturday night a Chinese watchman on board the s.s. Siberia noticed one of the pantry boys leaving the steamer with a bulky parcel. He stopped the boy whom he found to have concealed upon him six revolvers, six magazines and 600 rounds of ammunition. The police were summoned to go aboard, and the boy was arrested. Mr. E. A. Irving imposed a fine of \$200 or three months imprisonment.

OBSTRUCTION.
The magistrates are constantly hearing cases against Chinese for obstruction. Further cases came to their notice this morning and lines—or in default imprisonment—were imposed. Begging, too, seems to be a source of great nuisance, and the police are not slow in making arrests. Fines of \$5, or 14 days' imprisonment, were imposed in certain cases.

IN POSSESSION OF ARMS.
Two Chinese were charged with having in their possession 485 rounds of ammunition and four magazines, which was found upon them as they were leaving the s.s. Paul Deser. The concealment was cleverly concealed but the defendants were not smart enough for the police. It was stated by one of the defendants that he was an officer belonging to the Nanking Government and that he was entitled to be in possession of the arms. Mr. Irving imposed a fine of \$150 or six weeks' imprisonment.

RETURNING FROM BANISHMENT.
For returning from banishment a Chinese was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

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12.00 P.M. 'KINSHAN.' 5.00 P.M. 'FATSHAN.'

WEDNESDAY, 26th JUNE.
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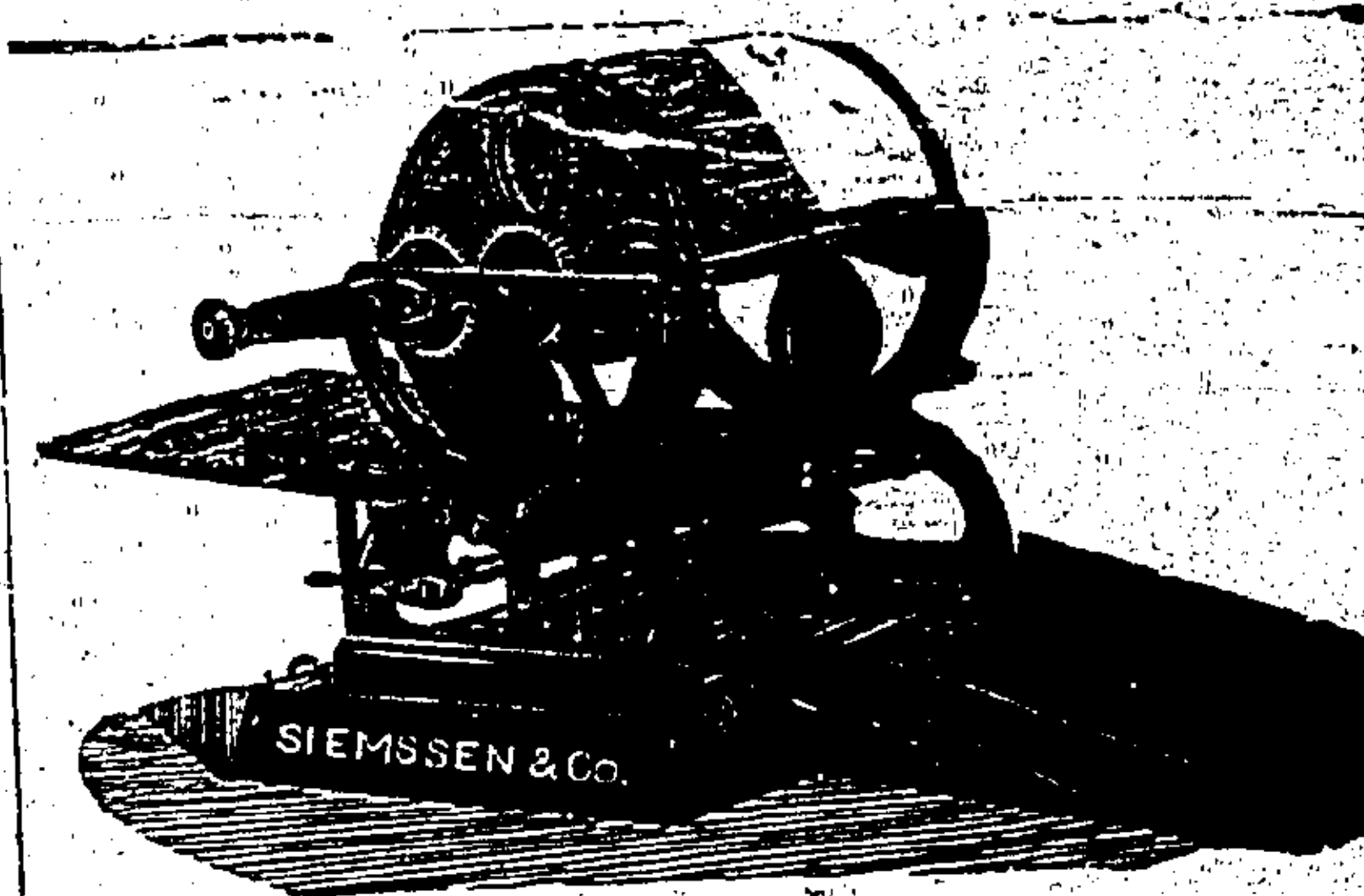
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**HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a
GENERAL MEETING of EXPORTERS
OF AND DEALERS IN CHINESE PRODUCE
will be held in the Old Chamber of Com-
merce Room, CITY HALL, on WEDNES-
DAY, the 3rd July, 1912, at 3.30 p.m.
precisely, for the purpose of

(1) Considering the suggestion that it
is expedient to form an Association
of Exporters and Dealers under the
auspices of the Hongkong General
Chamber of Commerce.

(2) If the suggestion be adopted to elect
a provisional Committee to frame for
the approval of a General Meeting
to be called hereafter the Rules and
Regulations under which it is pro-
posed such Association shall work.

The attendance of Chinese Merchants
interested in Exporting is invited.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, June 14, 1912.

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LONE ST. KILDA.

(From Our Scottish Correspondent.)

In last week's "Scottish Letter" it was
stated that the inhabitants of St. Kilda
were in a state of semi-starvation, the
stormy weather of last autumn having
prevented the landing of the usual sup-
plies. It is a solitary place,—"Nature's
last limit hemmed with oceans round;"—
and geographically it forms the largest of
a small group of about sixteen islets of the
Outer Hebrides. It measures three miles
from east to west and two miles from north
to south. Its total area is 3500 acres.
Except at the landing place, the cliffs rise
sheer out of deep water. The inhabitants
are an industrious Gaelic-speaking com-
munity, and number about 80. They cul-
tivate about forty acres, and have about
1000 sheep and a few cattle. In their arable
land they raise potatoes, oats, and barley,
but fishing is generally neglected. They
catch puffins, fulmar petrels, guillemots,
razor-birds, Manx shearwaters, and solar
grebes, both for their oil and for food. For
clothing the St. Kildians weave coarse cloth
from the wool which is plucked from the
sheep instead of being shorn. The houses
are collected in a little village at the head
of the East Bay, and the island, which is
generally inaccessible owing to difficulties
of navigation, for eight months of the year,
communicates with the outside world by
means of "sea messages" despatched in
boxes when a strong west wind is blowing,
and which generally reach the coast of
Scotland or the Western islands within a
week of "despatch."

The old name of St. Kilda was Hirt—
pronounced Hirst—and Scott uses it in
"The Lord of the Isles."

"These seas behold,
Round twice a hundred islands rolled,
From Hirt that hears their northern roar,
To the green islay's fertile shore."

There is a curious and gruesome legend
with regard to the Macleod's capture of the
island. An agreement was made between
Harris and Uist that two boats manned by
the same number of rowers should start for
the island at the same time, and those who
first touched its shores were to be its pos-
sessors. The race was a thrilling encounter,
and on nearing the island the Uist men
(Macleods) were a few strokes ahead. Then
Cilla Macleod chopped off his left
hand at the wrist and flung it ashore over
the heads of the Macleods. In this way
legend attributes the possession of the
island to the Macleods.

We are told that Boswell contemplated
buying St. Kilda, to which Dr. Johnson
replied:—"Pray do, sir. We shall go and
pass a winter amid the blazes there. We
shall have fine fish, and we will take some
dried tongues with us, and some books.
We will have a strong-built vessel and
some Orkney men to navigate her. We must
build a tolerable house;—
Consider, sir, by buying St. Kilda, you may
keep the people from falling into worse
hands. You must give them a clergyman,
and he shall be one of Beddie's chosen.
He shall be educated at Marischal College.
I'll be your Chancellor, or what you
please." The purchase, however, was
never effected.

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY'S NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

It is announced that the Chinese En-
gineering and Mining Company has come
to certain arrangements with the Grand
Mining Company of Peking and Linchow
(the Janchow Mining Company), with the
approval of the British and Chinese Gov-
ernments. The arrangement provides
among other things, that the two
Companies are to retain their separate
existence, but are to combine to form an
association to be called the Kailan
Mining Administration, which will admin-
ister the business of the two companies
in China, with a total Board in
Peking. The arrangement provides for
large payments by the British Company
to the Linchow undertaking and certain
officials, including £1,200,000 to Chang
Yen-miao, and to provide for this the En-
gineering and Mining Company will be
liquidated and a new company formed with
a share capital of £1,000,000 and an issue
of six per cent. Debentures.

FUNERAL OF TITANIC BAND-
MASTER.

Last Tribute of His Native Place.

The funeral of Mr. Wallace Hartley,
the heroic bandmaster of the Titanic,
took place on May 19 at Colne Cemetery
amid remarkable scenes of general mourn-
ing. Thousands of visitors came from
all parts of the surrounding country to
the little Lancashire town and thronged
the narrow main street. Flags waved at
half-mast from the Town Hall and other
public buildings. All day long street
vendors did a thriving trade in mementos
and pictorial souvenirs of the brave band-
man. The funeral was largely of a pub-
lic character, and was attended by the
mayor, wearing his chain of office, and
Mr. Black, the musical director of the
White Star Company.

The cortege was a long and imposing
one, including members of the Town
Council and representatives of Free
Churches and Bethel Church, with which
Mr. Hartley and his family had long
been associated. After an impressive
service at Bethel Church, to which the
solemn strains of "Nearer, my God, to
Thee," gave an especially affecting touch,
the funeral procession, headed by several
bands, marched slowly through the nar-
row streets to the cemetery. Twelve of
the deceased's cousins acted as bearers,
and at the graveside "Nearer, my God, to
Thee," was sung by the Bethel choir,
and "The Last Post" was sounded by
the Scout buglers.

The Godalming (Surrey) Corporation
have decided to erect a memorial to the
memory of Jack Phillips, the wireless
operator, who perished in the Titanic.
The memorial to Phillips, who lived at
Godalming, will probably take the form
of a drinking fountain, to be erected be-
tween Godalming and Farncombe.

Mr. Harold S. Bride, the surviving
wireless operator of the Titanic, reached
Liverpool on Saturday by the liner
Baltic.

THE MANSION HOUSE FUND.
Down to Saturday evening (May 19)
the Lord Mayor's Titanic Fund amounted
to £270,000. Among the donations was
one of £500 from St. Andrew's Church,
Moscow.

The directors of the Cunard Company
have decided to award one month's extra
pay to every member of the crew of the
Carpathia in recognition of the services
rendered in connection with the rescue
of the survivors of the Titanic.

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can, without danger, make plans of defence which would be difficult, if not impossible, if relations with our southern neighbours were on a precarious footing. Magnificent isolation once abandoned as a working theory, an understanding with France had necessarily to follow; and the logic of events daily draws tighter the bonds of mutual interest. To sacrifice the solid advantages of an existing friendship in the effort to ameliorate our relations with Germany would be not only a crime, but a fatuous blunder, and to such crimes and blunders the British Foreign Office is not prone.

In saying this Britain is far from wishing to discourage all legitimate hopes that attach to the new appointment. Our relations with Germany stand in urgent need of improvement, and France, equally with England, would benefit by an increased cordiality between Downing-street and the Wilhelmstrasse. Baron Marschall von Bieberstein will crown his distinguished career with a glory denied to any but the greatest, if his profession if he succeeds in imparting a freer, franker, and more friendly atmosphere into the diplomatic commerce of the two great naval Powers. That he has eminent qualifications for the task is beyond doubt. His talents thus far have been mainly exercised at our expense, but can be the subject of no reproach; it is a proof of his ability to compass the work with which he has apparently been entrusted. We may take it that a diplomatist so able will place no reliance on the methods which have so far been employed, with disastrous results to international unity, by the Press department of the German Foreign Office. During the past ten years this department has systematically fed the chief newspapers of the Continent and America with "information" calculated to stir up suspicions and ill-feeling against this country. The cumulative effect of all these semi-official communications must have been enormous.

Vienna, Rome, St. Petersburg, and even Washington, have been deluged with news and views carefully concocted with a view to effecting the immediate purposes of a tortuous policy, and in London itself more than one effort, not conspicuously successful, was made by a German diplomatist, now holding an important Ambassadorial position, to induce a portion of the English Press to play, unconsciously, the German official game. And what has been the net result? Simply this, that Anglo-German relations have drifted from bad to worse, until the highest power in both countries have had to recognise the necessity for a different policy. Baron Marschall von Bieberstein, if he is to justify his high reputation for sagacity, will make a clean sweep of all this. He will recognise the primary facts of the situation. He will make no attempt to appeal to any particular section of British public opinion; the last thing likely to be useful is a sort of German Barillon in close touch with parties that label themselves Pacifist or pro-German. The Triple Entente must be the subject of no subtle attack; that is a rock which no diplomatic wheedling can dissolve or undermine. We do not ask Germany to disregard her obligations on our account, and she must not expect us to forsake our friends on hers. The maintenance of British predominance at sea is likewise beyond the scope of argument or discussion. On the other hand, there are a multitude of points, of minor but still considerable importance, which may legitimately be the subject of loyal negotiation. We are perfectly friendly to Germany, we desire nothing better than to live with her in neighbourly concord, and we should allow no inconsiderable obstacles to stand in the way of a full and frank understanding.

That the change of Ambassador should, in certain quarters, cause so much uneasiness, shows how sensitive opinion still remains regarding the relations of England and Germany; and if Baron Marschall is able to allay such forebodings he will not only do a great service to the two countries, but also greatly increase his reputation.

GERMAN STEAMER WRECKED.

Passengers And Crew Saved.

The *u.s. Quinta* is reported to be ashore on the Paracels.

The passengers and crew have been saved, but the steamer will, it is feared, probably be a total loss.

Great uneasiness was caused here on Saturday when the news was known that the French Mail steamer *Nera*, which left here on Tuesday last, had not arrived in Saigon; thus making her more than 24 hours overdue. Happily, information came through later that the steamer had arrived safely at 4 p.m. on Saturday afternoon, instead of Friday, 8 a.m., 30 hours late, the delay having been caused in rescuing the passengers and crew, 539 persons, of the German steamer *Quinta*, a vessel trading between Hongkong, Swatow and Bangkok, and chartered by a local Chinese firm—which had gone ashore on the Paracels. The French Mail left here on Tuesday about noon and on Wednesday, about 1 p.m., as she was drawing down to the Paracels and giving them the usual fairly wide berth, she sighted the signals of distress from the stricken vessel and promptly altered her course, going at once to the rescue.

The *Quinta* is reported to be in a critical position, but there are hopes that, if no bad weather supervenes, that it will be possible to save her. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s tug *David Gillies*, with salvage plant, etc., on board, left here yesterday for the scene of the disaster.

The Chief Officer of the German steamer *Marie*, which arrived from Saigon this morning, on being interviewed today, stated that the French Mail signalled them when a little south of the Paracels and told them they had taken the wreck of the *Quinta* and had taken off the passengers and crew, with the exception of one boat, which had already left to seek assistance.

The Chief Officer of the *Marie* stated that the *Quinta* was badly ashore on the North Reef, standing perfectly upright, in fact she looked as if she were in dock. She had about eight feet of water round her, and a heavy sea running. It is his opinion that the vessel will never be salvaged. He also stated that evidence of leaving in a hurry was visible, as two of the boats were hanging bow downwards with only one half hooked on and had the appearance of being rushed. She had the signal "I must abandon my ship"—flying, also the German ensign at the mainmast. No sign of life was visible to those on the *Marie*, which, after leaving the wreck, steered a course towards Hallow in the hope of picking up the boat which had left to get assistance but did not sight it.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A man was removed to hospital on Saturday suffering from injuries which, it is stated, were caused during a fight at Aberdeen with a fisherman.

An Empire Day message to the students of Queen's College, Hongkong, from the Education Department of Manitoba appears in the current issue of the "Yellow Dragon."

There were 413 European and 174 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library and 150 European and 2,994 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending June 23rd.

Some trouble arose among the crew of the *s.s. Colombo* Maru, which arrived here on Friday night from Kobe, resulting in a free fight in which one man was wounded, fortunately not seriously.

Two bodies were picked up on the foreshore at San Sui Po yesterday, while another one was found at Yau-mai. In each instance death is attributed to natural causes.

During the illness of the Reverend Father H. Valentin, the duties of Acting Roman Catholic Clergyman to the troops in garrison will be undertaken by the Reverend Fr. G. M. Spada.

The *s.s. Foochow*, while leaving her moorings on Thursday, broke one of her propeller blades, which necessitated docking and the adjusting of a new one, after which she proceeded on her voyage to Saigon.

Masters of vessels arriving from Canton report that the country on each side of the river below the second Barrier is badly ruined, the paddy fields in some cases being covered. This looks bad for the first crop, especially if the heavy rains continue.

In a letter to the "Yellow Dragon" Chief Editor Baden Powell says he was much struck by Hongkong as a place where boys could have a wonderfully good time shooting, and expresses the hope that Queen's College may before long join the movement.

The troops which left the Colony for Canton on Thursday (as previously reported in the *China Mail* on that day) consisted of Major A. L. Barnett, Captain B. de Brock, Lieutenant J. W. B. Bicknell, 3 Indian Officers, 100 Indian Sepoys, 177 non-commissioned officers and men of the 12th Buffs (London Infantry).

The master of the *s.s. Benarig*, which arrived on Friday, reported what sounded to him to be a small steamer sunk about one mile S. W. of Breaker Point. All he could see of the wreck was two masts sticking out of the water. A small tug, which he took for a salvage vessel, was standing by. He saw no sign of any passengers or crew, but he had been informed that they were saved.

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

Reception To Sir Henry May.

THE ARRANGEMENTS.

The arrangements for the reception of His Excellency Sir Francis Henry May, K.C.M.G., on his arrival in the Colony are now complete and are as follows:

His Excellency is due to arrive in the *s.s. "St. Albans"* in the morning and will proceed to the wharf at Kowloon.

The Officer Administering the Government will leave Murray Pier at 8.30 a.m. in the Government launch "Victoria," accompanied by the Acting Colonial Secretary, Private Secretary and Aide-de-Camp.

His Excellency, Lady May, Family and Staff will embark at Kowloon in the "Victoria" at 9.45 a.m.

On arrival at Blakes Pier at 10 a.m. His Excellency will be received by a Guard of Honour and Band and a salute of 17 guns.

After inspecting the Guard, the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and the Members of the Committee to welcome His Excellency will be presented to His Excellency Sir Henry and Lady May.

A chair procession will then be formed and will proceed via Pedder's Street and Queen's Road to the City Hall where addresses of welcome will be presented.

At the termination of these proceedings the procession will be continued to the Council Chamber where at 11 o'clock the Oaths will be administered to His Excellency by His Honour the Chief Justice and a further salute of 17 guns will be fired.

The route from Blakes Pier to City Hall and to Council Chamber will be lined with troops.

The procession will then proceed to Government House. Route to be lined with Police.

At 3.30 p.m. His Excellency and Lady May with their family and staff and accompanied by the Colonial Secretary will proceed by special train to the Peak, and thence to Mountain Lodge.

A notice regarding this Reception will be found in our advertising columns.

THE "TOTOMI MARU" IN A TYPHOON.

The *Totomi Maru*, which arrived here on Saturday from Calcutta and Port-au-Prince, experienced the tail-end of a typhoon between Rangoon and Penang.

She suffered very badly for six hours while the storm raged, and much of her deck fittings were washed away. The attention of the crew was concentrated on the hatch covers, which showed signs of giving out.

Fortunately, the storm passed over before any serious damage was done. The vessel had a narrow escape.

THE BESSIE DOLLAR IN TROUBLE.

Yet another shipping accident comes to our notice to-day.

The British steamer *Bessie Dollar*, which has just recently been in dock, left port yesterday morning, and when scarcely pasted the Nine Pins—a group of island reefs just north of Waglan—her high pressure cylinder cover broke.

After making temporary repairs, she returned to port, managing, with some difficulty, to arrive back this morning.

THE POKFULUM MURDER CHARGE.

A Curious Story.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon five Chinese were charged with being concerned in an armed robbery and further with maliciously killing Lam Suk Kung.

In the early stages of the case one defendant was acquitted.

Deceased's brother stated that on June 5th, on the second floor at a house in Pokfulum Road he was lying upon a sofa. His wife was seated at a table.

During the night, although the doors were locked, some men (the prisoners) entered.

Witness added that the first man who made his appearance asked him while he was lying upon the sofa. He attacked witness with a large knife, but witness, raising himself quickly, managed to ward off the blow.

Witness added: "Two or three other men then seized me, and in the struggle I was put to the ground; and was gagged."

In reply to Mr. Irving witness stated that there was money in the house. The money was kept locked in the sitting room in which the robbers entered. The contents of the bag (produced) on tained valuables.

Witness produced the bag which showed that it had been out near the lock.

Witness further stated that he was struck, and lost consciousness, and when he recovered he found himself in hospital.

He remembered that the robbers tied him up.

Witness' wife stated that at 7.30 p.m. on the day in question she was seated at a table in the sitting room. Her husband was in the same room lying upon a sofa. There was also the amount and witness' husband's brother.

Mr. Hodgson (Assistant Crown Solicitor) asked witness' husband's brother: "Where was your husband's brother?"

Witness: "He was on the veranda looking out for money."

Witness added that the robbers entered and one of them pointed a knife at her husband, but her husband, springing up, did not receive the blow. Other robbers entered the room and they pointed knives at her husband and her.

Mr. Hodgson: "What did they ask you?"

Witness: "They asked me where I kept the money."

Mr. Hodgson: "What did you say?"

Witness: "I stated that I 'save' I had no money. They then opened at my husband, gagged him, and attempted to thrust knives into him."

A further witness stated that his friend, who was with him at the time, saw the robbers enter the house and that he saw the robbers take the money.

A BUILDING DISPUTE.

Legal Defence Raised.

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gumpert, Puiang Judge, the action was heard in which the Wo Fat Co. sued the Fuk Shik Sun, the Hop Lee, and the Hop Shun firms, all of 116, Connaught Road West, for the recovery of \$1,000 money due on account for work done and materials supplied to portions of marine 155 250 by the plaintiffs at the request of defendants.

Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for plaintiffs, and Mr. Leo D'Almada's Castro for defendants.

Mr. Lewis understood Mr. D'Almada intended to raise a special defence at the outset.

Mr. D'Almada said he had given his friend notice of this intention. The defence was a plea of non-judicata, and it was necessary that he should relate the facts concerning the previous case before his Lordship could decide whether the present action was identical with the former one.

Summary Action 716 of 1912 was commenced by plaintiffs on April 21, 1912, against the same defendants for whom he was now appearing. In that action Mr. Gardiner appeared for the plaintiffs, and the endorsement on the writ was, plaintiff's claim is for \$1,000 against defendants as surties for work done and materials supplied. In the course of those proceedings Mr. Gardiner supplied him with what he alleged to be a copy of the guarantee signed by defendants with regard to the alleged labour done and materials supplied. When the case was fixed for hearing on May 17 last Mr. Gardiner appeared in Court and consented to judgment for defendants with costs, and at his request his Lordship gave leave, upon notice being given to him (Mr. D'Almada) to apply for leave to bring a fresh action. That he submitted, ended the litigation between the parties but the plaintiffs thereupon went to his friend and he issued this present action against defendants. His friend had supplied him with particulars of the present claim and in them he stated that by contract in writing dated March 18, 1912, the defendants employed plaintiffs to carry out work of building retaining walls, excavate a site, etc., for \$2,525. This document Mr. Lewis was relying upon.

Mr. Lewis said he was not relying exclusively upon written particulars.

Mr. D'Almada said this was the identical document Mr. Gardiner sued defendants upon in action 716. Upon these facts he submitted that his Lordship should exercise the jurisdiction of the Court and dismiss the action upon the ground of *res judicata*.

His Lordship: Was it any more than judgment by non-suit?

Mr. D'Almada: Judgment by consent, and I will satisfy you by authorities I have that this is conclusive.

His Lordship: Even if leave is reserved?

Mr. D'Almada replied in the affirmative. His Lordship might have granted leave to bring a fresh action, but this was not a fresh action, but the identical action. Any leave was to be obtained from the Court to bring a fresh action.

His Lordship said if he gave leave for this action to go on he might require an assurance that the costs of the previous action as between solicitor and client had been paid by plaintiffs for defendants.

His Lordship asked what Mr. D'Almada said at the hearing.

Mr. D'Almada said Mr. Gardiner stated that he was not prepared to adduce any evidence on behalf of plaintiffs and consented to judgment. As a matter of fact he called Mr. Gardiner's attention to the fact that he could amend the writ.

Mr. Lewis interposed that as he was not the solicitor in the previous case he had had no notice as between himself and his client of what happened in the previous action.

Mr. D'Almada said plaintiffs had simply changed the form of the proceedings to come before the Court again.

Mr. Lewis did not admit this, and submitted that the plea of *res judicata* could not hold good in this case. *Res judicata* was not a technical term, and was merely a way of referring to the doctrine of estoppel by matter of record.

The question arose whether his clients were estopped from adding his Lordship for judgment for work done and materials supplied. The former action was for money alleged to be due under survey. The first point was whether the causes of action were the same in each action. He could not admit that they were identical, and they were simply estopped by the records of the Court from suing defendants to recover money under a guarantee. The parties were not, in law, the same in this action as in the former one.

His Lordship: The firms have the same name?

Mr. Lewis agreed that the names were the same, and the parties were so far as they were personally concerned; in the eyes of the law they were not the same. In the last case the men were sued as surties, and in this case they were sued as principals.

His Lordship: The parties are the same.

After further argument his Lordship decided to make a note of the case, mentioned by Counsel, and reserve judgment upon the point of law.

Mr. Lewis said in his opening that the plaintiffs were a firm of building contractors, the first defendant was manager of the firm, and the other defendants were the firms themselves. On May 17, 1911, Mr. Lee Po Lung, owner of Marine 155 250, engaged the *Kin Lung* firm, who carried out certain work at a cost of \$4,100 on the spot. Mr. Lee then engaged the architect to draw up the contract, which was signed by all parties. This contract was very widely drawn and gave the architect power to remove the contractors if the work did not proceed to his satisfaction, and he informed the *Kin Lung* firm that they must get in some other contractor to help them and also somebody to guarantee the due performance of the work. The contractor thereupon brought in the two firms and defendants were also brought in as guarantors for the due performance of the work. The new people were no better than the first and on January 18 Mr. Brotherton Harker wrote to the defendants advising them that he would take out of the hands of the contractor, advising for fresh contracts, and hold the surety responsible for any loss. After receiving this letter defendant suggested another builder, but Mr. Harker refused to have anything to do with him. The *Wo Fat* firm eventually agreed to carry on the work for \$2,525.

Mr. Brotherton Harker was called and gave evidence bearing out Mr. Lewis' statement.

The managing partner of the plaintiff firm said he agreed to carry out the contract for \$2,525 and the contract was not under this contract, and Mr. Harker issued a certificate in favour of witness' firm for \$1,000. Witness presented this certificate to Fuk Shik Sun, and he said when he had settled with the owner he would pay the certificate. As a matter of fact the amount had never been paid. Witness bought from defendants certain materials on the site.

Mr. D'Almada said his case was that his clients never contracted with plaintiffs to do the work. All they did was to give a guarantee in writing for certain contractors who were then engaged to complete the work. These particular contractors did not complete the work and Mr. Harker rightly enough advertised for other people to complete the work. From the correspondence he submitted that there was no sort of contract between the plaintiffs and the defendants. By no stretch of imagination could it be construed as an agreement between the plaintiffs and defendants.

Mr. Lewis: I think it is a matter that does not require any imagination at all.

Mr. D'Almada submitted that the document was merely a continuing guarantee in continuation of the guarantee already given by defendants. What defendants did was to say that they might engage the *Wo Fat* firm to complete the work and they consented to continue their agreement as they had done before regarding the other contractors.

His Lordship said if he had to give his judgment now he thought he would say that though very clumsily drawn the document was meant to be a contract.

As Mr. Lewis had not had notice of this defence his Lordship gave him leave to speak on this point, and for Mr. D'Almada to reply.

Mr. D'Almada asked his Lordship to give, if convenient, a written judgment, as there was not only a sum of \$1,000 at issue but \$1,500 besides.

His Lordship consented.

ENTERTAINMENT AT MOUNT AUSTIN.

The Variety Entertainment arranged by members of the military, on behalf of military charities, and held in the Palace Theatre of Varieties, Mount Austin, on Saturday night, was in every respect a great success. There was large audience, and among those present were B. E. the Hon. Claude Severn, General Anderson, Sir Charles Elliot, Principal of the University of Hongkong, and a number of military and naval officers and their wives. The programme submitted was a pleasant variety, comprising vocal and instrumental items, and concluding with a One Act play. From the first item to the last, the entertainment was greatly enjoyed, and in every respect great credit is due to those who organized it and to those who took part in it. The Band of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, conducted by Mr. Moss, was present by kind permission of the Colonel and Officers of the Regiment, and rendered excellent service. Two individuals, fancifully named "Cam and Cub," performed a very whimsical ventriloquist sketch, the fine baritone voice of Mr. H. I. Jones, a newcomer to Hongkong, was heard to excellent advantage in "My Old Shako" and "The Deathless Army." Mr. R. E. Rutherford, a well-known and popular singer, was also present, and his performance was highly appreciated. He has a fine touch and plays with taste and feeling. H. E. Mr. Claude Severn also contributed to the enjoyment of the evening by singing two songs which suited the fine tenor voice very well—"Moon, Moon, Seemingly Shining" and "In response to loud demand for an encore, 'Oh, Maria, Maria,' which was so popular at the last Mount Austin concert. His Excellency, through apparently suffering somewhat from homesickness, was in grand form and rendered his songs with great gusto. Mrs. Hunter, accompanist, herself on the guitar, sang a beautiful Spanish song with the feeling and as an encore, another Spanish song, which was much appreciated. Mr. Walker, along with four gentlemen, joining in the name of the *Karnata*, presented what was termed "A Leap Year Rhapody" and as an encore, the well-known "Ditty from the 'Duke of Grafton'." Come to the Ball! "My Walker, looking pleasant and charming, sang sweetly and danced gracefully, while the male quartette assisted admirably, both in voice and in tapping lightly. The second part of the programme was, with the exception of the opening item by Mr. Rutherford, selection from "The Moon." "When we were all together" and "Greatly enjoyed" were greatly enjoyed, and what was described as a "Muddled Abundance" in the Act by B. E. Phillips. It was exceedingly amusing, and in this respect, particularly, Mr. D'Almada's "Comical Address" to the audience, in which he referred to the fact that the audience was so large, and that the entertainment was so successful, was highly appreciated. The programme was, in every respect, a great success, and the audience was highly entertained.

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BOMB EXPLOSION IN TRIPOLI.

ITALIAN OFFICER AND BLUEJACKETS KILLED.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 24.
A telegram from Tripoli states that while a wagon load of shells was being unloaded, one exploded, killing an Italian officer. Seven bluejackets were also killed, and three wounded.

BANTAM-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

FRENCHMAN WINS.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 24.
A telegram from Dieppe states that in the Bantam-weight championship of Europe the Frenchman Ladoux knocked out Digby Stanley in the seventh round after a fine fight.

THE LISBON STRIKE.

PARTIAL TRAM SERVICE RESUMED.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Reuter's correspondent in Lisbon states that a partial service is now being run by the trams, and there is no interference.

SERIOUS INCIDENTS AT LISBON.

LATER.
A telegram from Lisbon states that the Government is determined to end the tramway strike which has lasted for three weeks. It arrested the leaders. The first trams ran yesterday escorted by troops. Three bombs were exploded among the crowd in Dom Pedro Square, killing one and wounding two persons. The cavalry charged and shots were exchanged, several being wounded.
Senator Arthur Costa on leaving Parliament was stoned and compelled to use his revolver in self-defence.

MORE ESPIONAGE IN GERMANY.

RUSSIAN OFFICER ARRESTED.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 24.
A sensation has been caused by the arrest, at Berlin, of a Russian, Captain Kastavich, on a charge of espionage. He has been living in Berlin for some months past, ostensibly studying aviation in the interests of the Russian War Department.

FRENCH SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

VESSELS TO BE LAID UP.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Work at the port of Marseilles is at a standstill owing to the strike. The Compagnie Transatlantique has decided to lay up all its vessels. Masters and men have refused government arbitration.
The crews of the liners *Lavarois* and *Atlantique*, on arrival at Havre and Bordeaux respectively, joined the strikers.

BLUEJACKETS MANNING MERCHANT STEAMERS.

LONDON, June 24.
A telegram from Paris states that owing to the shipping strike the Government are providing bluejackets to man ten steamers weekly sailing between Marseilles, Corsica and Algeria.

THE KING AND AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

REVIEW AT WINDSOR PARK.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
The King at Windsor Park on Saturday reviewed 15,000 members of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, which included overseas contingents. They made a fine display.
The Transvaal contingent was especially prominent.

HOME CRICKET.

THE LATEST RESULTS.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Gloucester beat Worcestershire by 229 runs.
Sussex beat Cambridge University by four wickets.
Northants defeated Kent by 240 runs.
Yorkshire defeated Nottingham by five wickets.
Derby won by 83 runs from Leicestershire.
Middlesex defeated Essex by seven wickets.
The South Africans were successful against South Wales by 230 runs.
Warwick v. Hants and Surrey v. Lancashire were drawn matches.

LONDON DOCK STRIKE.

PROSPECT OF "HONOURABLE SETTLEMENT."
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
The Port of London Authority has refused the invitation of Sir G. Askwith, of the Board of Trade, to give evidence before the Industrial Council regarding agreements.
The men's leaders at their meetings yesterday said there was a prospect of Government action which would end in an honourable settlement.

THE LOAN TO CHINA.

THE FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Further meetings of the bankers representing the Six Powers will be held to discuss future arrangements as necessity arises, but it is uncertain whether they will be held in London, Paris or Berlin.
Meanwhile, further conversations are now probable at Peking, to ascertain the views and requirements of China. Although, as a general principle, each Power will have to find the money in its own market, each has the right, under certain conditions, to find part of it abroad.

THE OLYMPIA HORSE SHOW.

WORLD'S RECORD LEAP.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
At the Horse Show at Olympia, London, the Canadian horse Sefton, in the high jump, cleared 7 ft. 3 in., a world's record.

LORD HALDANE.

STILL INTERESTED IN THE ARMY.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Lord Haldane, the Lord Chancellor, speaking at the opening of the Territorial Drill Hall at Plymouth, said he had not severed his connection with the army. The Premier had asked him to continue on the Committee of Imperial Defence.

FRANCE AND SPAIN IN MOROCCO.

FRESH DIFFICULTIES.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Pessimism has been renewed regarding the Franco-Spanish negotiations, fresh difficulties having arisen.

OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

AMATEURS DISTINGUISHING THEMSELVES.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
In the Open Golf Championship at Muirfield on the concluding day of the qualifying rounds, Tom Ball played one round in 65, record, and the two rounds in 144. Macfarlane went round in 74, which is an amateur record. Up to the present no amateur has qualified, but to-day Macfarlane, Gairdner and Maxwell are among the leaders.

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PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY.

FAMILY GATHERING AT WINDSOR.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
The Prince of Wales has arrived from Paris to spend his birthday at Home.
There was a family gathering at Windsor to celebrate the event. He will continue his studies in Paris, whither he will return probably on Thursday. He has been very popular in France.

EMPIRE TRADE COMMISSION.

LIST OF QUESTIONS BEING DRAFTED.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
The third meeting of the Empire Trade Commission to-day discussed the interpretation of its terms of reference. It was decided that an enquiry into the effects of tariff laws should be excluded.
The Commission adjourned until October. The committee meanwhile is drafting a list of questions to be submitted to Chambers of Commerce Trade Associations, etc.

ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS.

FINE PERFORMANCES AT STAMFORD BRIDGE.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
The athletic championships were held at Stamford Bridge yesterday, in glorious weather. There was a large attendance, and much interest was taken in the events, in view of the Olympic Games. The mile was easily won by Owen, in 4 min. 21.2 seconds. Patching, of South Africa, won the hundred yards, by two yards, in the remarkable time of 9.4 seconds. Nicholson threw the hammer 162 ft. 2 in.

The walk was won very easily by Bridge in 13 min. 55.2 seconds.
The long jump went to Kirwan, with 23 ft. 2 in. The steeplechase was won by Frost in easy fashion in 11 min. 17.5 seconds.
Hogan put the weight 44 ft. 10 in.
The quarter mile resulted as follows:—Selhouse, 1; Patching, 2; Henley, 3. Won by three yards in 49.4 seconds.
Anderson won the hurdles by three yards in 15.3 seconds, and in the pole jump Conquest had a walk-over.
The four miles was won by Hudson, with "a margin of eighty yards, in 20 min. 10.4 seconds.
Baker won the high jump, clearing 5 ft. 9 in.
Braun easily carried off the half mile in 1 min. 58.1 seconds.
The result of the 220 yards championship was:—Applegarth, 1; Jacobs, 2; Patching, 3. Won by a yard, a foot, separating second and third. Time, 23 seconds.

AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

MR ROOSEVELT WITHDRAWS.
Convention "Quieter and Duller."
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
Mr Bryan has telegraphed to prominent Democrats appealing to them to prevent the election to the chairmanship of Judge Parker, whom he describes as reactionary.
A wire from Chicago states that Mr Roosevelt, after making preliminary arrangements for the organization of the new party, severed his relations with the Convention.
A message from Chicago states that the Convention was quieter and duller. The regular Republicans asserted that they had the control of the Convention. The proceedings were confined to votes on reports by the Credentials Committee which were adopted by increased Taft majorities. Owing to the Wisconsin followers of Mr La Follette opposing the votes of the Rooseveltians, the evening session passed viva voce with the utmost expedition. The people in the gallery were hilarious, and every fresh Taft victory was greeted with noisy enthusiasm.

A STRANGE INCIDENT.

BOMB IN GERMAN MINISTER'S LETTER BOX.
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 23.
A Brussels telegram states that last night a bomb was placed in the letter box of the German Minister. There was a terrific explosion, but no one was injured.

MOTOR ACCIDENT.

Car Collides with Rickshaw.
An accident in which a motor-car was concerned occurred on Saturday. It was fortunately attended with serious injury, though, in view of the nature of the accident, it is somewhat surprising that more serious consequences did not result.
It appears that car No. 12 was being driven along Queen's Road by its Chinese driver, when it collided with a Japanese rickshaw in which was a Japanese woman.
The latter was thrown violently to the ground, while the coolie who was pulling her did not escape less fortunately.
Though the impact was considerable, it is surprising that both the Japanese lady and the coolie escaped without much injury.
The off-side wheel of the motor-car was rendered useless, the damage done being estimated at about \$50.00.
The car belonged to the "Ella" Garage, Des Voeux Road.

Stop Press News

AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

MR TAFT'S LARGE "MAJORITY."
Mr Roosevelt's "New Party."

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)
LONDON, June 24.
Mr Roosevelt has appealed to his supporters at the Convention to abstain from voting. Accordingly, the Party platform, which Ex-vice-President Fairbanks moved, and which is regarded as being of a Progressive character, advocates Supplementary Tax Legislation, and partial reduction of the tariffs, was adopted by 666 votes to 333. Roosevelt abstained from voting. Mr Harding, Ohio, proposed the nomination of Mr Taft, whom he described as the "Greatest Progressive of his time." This led to tumult, and the police had difficulty in quelling a fight between the delegates of Dakota and Florida.

Mr Roosevelt, in provisionally accepting an independent nomination, said that "the time would come when all would be believers in the elementary maxims of public and private morality and join in a new movement," and he asked all delegates to go to their homes and spread the sentiments of their neighbours and then meet en masse in Convention. They could then make a formal Progressive nomination for the Presidency. He would support any candidate they nominated. He added that the regular Convention served the purpose of a "sinister political bosses" who had no shadow of sympathy or spirit of purpose with the Republicans of fifty years ago. "You, my friends, are heirs in spirit of Abraham Lincoln, when he refused longer to be bound by the shackles of the past and faced new issues with a new spirit demanded by the times." Mr Roosevelt concluded by proposing as the motto of the movement, "Thou shalt not steal."

The Convention nominated Mr Taft by 561 votes. Mr Roosevelt received 107, Mr La Follette 41, Mr Trumaine 17, and Mr Hughes 2. 344 abstained from voting.

Followers of Mr Roosevelt are holding a meeting in a separate hall for the purpose of nominating Mr Roosevelt. The latter, however, says that he will not accept nomination as from a new party, but from the lawful majority of regular Republicans who have been defrauded of their rights at the Convention. The leaders of the movement declare that their plans are matured for a new Progressive Party embracing the whole nation.

CHINESE NEWS.

(*Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.*)
PEKING, June 24.
Yuan Shih Kai has received a telegram from Shanghai stating that a Hongkong merchant may introduce a syndicate who can lend \$10,000,000 to China.

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In the Matter of THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE OF HONGKONG.

1911.
In the Matter of WATKINS LIMITED (In Liquidation).

A EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company duly convened, and held at the Company's Office, on the 31st day of May, 1912, the following resolution was duly passed, and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, held at the same place on the 19th day of June, 1912, the same resolution was duly confirmed as a Special Resolution, viz.:

"That the Company be wound-up voluntarily, and that ERNEST ALFRED HUNTER, WILLIAMS, Incorporated Accountant of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding-up."

G. A. WATKINS, Chairman.
Hongkong, June 19, 1912.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE, 1911.
In the Matter of WATKINS LIMITED, (In Liquidation).

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
THE Creditors of the above named Company are required, on or before the 13th day of July, 1912, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the Under-signed, the Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required, by notice in writing from the Liquidator, are, by their Solicitor, or personally, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such times and places as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Liquidator.
St. George's Building, Hongkong, June 20, 1912.

In the Matter of THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE, 1911.
In the Matter of WATKINS LIMITED, (In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in pursuance to Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance, 1911, that a Meeting of Creditors of the above named Company will be held at the office of the Under-signed, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1912, at Noon, for the purposes provided for in the said Section.

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Liquidator.
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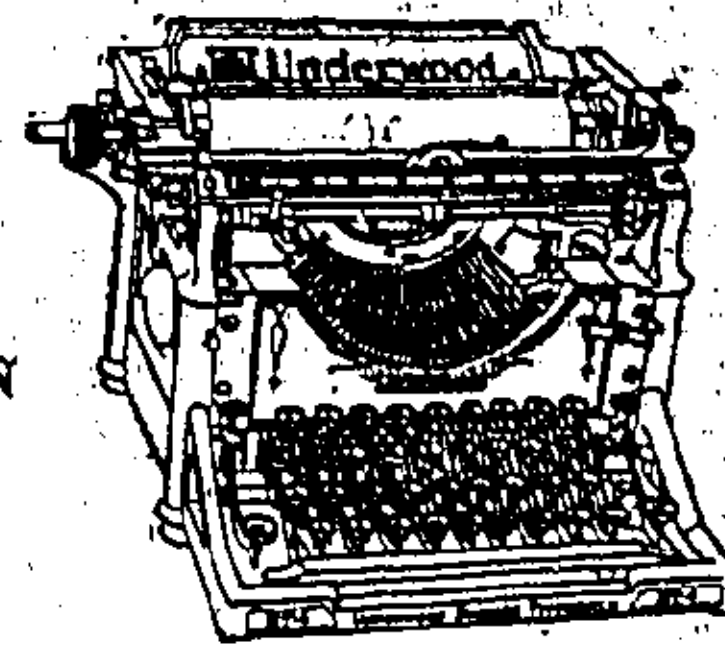
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HAICHONG	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 2nd July, at 11 A.M.

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The S.S. "PERM," 4,149 R.T., Com- mander J. Kallian, will call at Hongkong, on or about 26th of June.	The S.S. "KOURSK," 6,400 R.T., Commander G. Padalka, will call at Hongkong, at the end of June.

N.B.—The exact day of calling of both steamers at Hongkong will be published after receiving the telegram about their leaving last ports.

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Notices to Consignees

NOTICE.

S.S. 'MALTA'.

CONSIGNEES holding Bills of Lading for cargo by this vessel are hereby informed that their cargo will arrive at a.s. 'Para.' due at Hongkong about 2nd July, and they are requested to kindly present the Bills of Lading at this Office before the arrival of the steamer, so that arrangements can be made regarding delivery.

H. W. D. SHALLARD,
Acting Superintendent,
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COY.
Hongkong, June 20, 1912.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN
PORTS & SHANGHAI.CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
SILESIA.

The above-mentioned vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to make immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after SATURDAY, 22nd June, at 5 p.m., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

Cargo remaining undelivered THURSDAY, 27th June, at Noon will be subject to storage and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on TUESDAY, June 25th, 1912, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be filed on or before July 3rd, 1912, otherwise they will not be recognized.

FRED J. HALTON,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 20, 1912.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER OCEANIC.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex a.s. 'Breton' from HAYES ex a.s. 'Breton' from BORDAUX ex a.s. 'Ville de Lorient' in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Hazardous and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Undersigned, and Goods remain unclaimed after the 25th June, at Noon will be subject to cost and landing charges. All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 25th June, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on the 25th June, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. THOMAS,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 19, 1912.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENLAWERS.

FROM LEITH, MIDDLEBRO', LON-
DON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to cost.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 25th inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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Hongkong, June 18, 1912.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

June 23.

Canton, Swedish steamer, 2,180, J. M.

Reinhardt, Gothenburg via Antwerp May

15, and Singapore June 17, General.

ARUN NILSSON & Co.

Haitian, British str., 1,182, J. S. Ronch.

Poonchow, via Amoy and Swatow June 22,

Ten and General. — DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP

Co., Ltd.

Gregory, British steamer, 2,061, J.

E. Drake, Calcutta via Straits June 19,

General. — DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

Kwang Lee, Chinese str., 1,468, J. M.

Arthur, Shanghai June 19, General. — O.

M. S. N. Co.

Pendroekshire, British str., 2,290, W.

Barrett, London and Singapore June 16,

General. — JAMES MATTHEWS & Co., Ltd.

Sawaki Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,738,

J. Tanaka, Seattle May 21, and Shang-

hai June 20, Flour and General. — NIPPON

YAKU KAI.

Helene, German steamer, 771, Jensen,

Hobkow June 22, Rice and Flour. —

JENSEN & Co.

Tylatjap, Dutch steamer, 2,440, E. H.

Mickassar June 13, Sugar and General. —

JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Tokoro Maru, Japanese str., 3,412, N.

Kawashima, Calcutta and Singapore June 19,

General. — NIPPON YAKU KAI.

Chunyang, British str., from Canton.

Yingchow, British str., from Canton.

Luchow, British str., from Canton.

June 24.

Zanoni, French str., 730, G. Bonhier,

Haplong June 21, and Pakhoi 22, Gen-

eral. — A. R. MARX.

Marie, German str., 1,169, H. Schalkier,

Sagun June 20, Rice and General. — JENSEN

& Co.

Oman, British str., 1,350, W. Lloyd

Jones, Shanghai June 21, General. —

STANLEY & SWINE.

Carl Dietrichsen, German str., 714, Chr.

Jensen, Haplong and Pakhoi June 19,

General. — JENSEN & Co.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Haitian, from Coast Ports, Mrs

Northcote, Mrs Allen, and Mr Barker.

Per Gregory, from Calcutta, &c.,

Messrs F. O. Ingelton, Grunwald and

Vernon.

Per Pendroekshire, from London, &c.,

for Shanghai, Mrs Burgess and child.

Per Sawaki Maru, from Seattle, &c.,

for Hongkong, Mr and Mrs F. B. Houghton,

Mr J. Valangine, Mr and Mrs T. R.

Wolf, Mrs Oliver, Mr K. Minoura, Rev.

T. Lignen, and Mr R. Peterson.

Per Patrie, from Liverpool, &c., Mr

Cornwall.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The s.s. Linan with the Siberian Mail

is due to arrive here on Thursday, the

27th inst.

The s.s. Kumano Maru with the Amer-

ican Mail ex s.s. chuMania is due to ar-

rive here on Tuesday, the 2nd July.

Mails will close for

SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

Per Haitian, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the

25th June.

FORMOSA via KEELUNG, JAPAN

via NAGASAKI, VICTORIA &

YACOMIA.

Per Canada Maru, at noon, on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

MACAO.

Per Sui Tai, at 1.15 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per Sui Tai, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

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the 25th June.

WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN.

Per Sui Tai, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

SWATOW.

Per Sui Tai, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

Per Sui Tai, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 25th June.

STRAITS & CEYLON.

Per Sui Tai, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,

the 26th June.

BATAVIA, SAMARANG & SOURA

ABAY.

Per Sui Tai, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday,

the 26th June.

SHANGHAI, NORTHCHINA, JAPAN,

HONOLULU, UNITED STATES,

CANADA & SOUTH AMERICA via

SAN FRANCISCO.

(Europe via Siberia).

Per Sui Tai, on Tuesday, the 25th

June.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.

Registration, 10.15 a.m.

No late fee.

Letters at 11 a.m.

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To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE.

AN ADDRESS of Welcome will be
presented to Sir HENRY MAY,
K.C.M.G., at the CITY HALL, on the day
of his arrival, by the Unofficial Members
of the Executive and Legislative Councils.
All Justices of the Peace, members of
the Chamber of Commerce and of the
British, Chinese and Foreign Communities
are invited to be present to join in the
welcome.
The time of the presentation will appear
in the programme notified in the news-
papers.
Hongkong, June 24, 1912. 822

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Eyes Examined.

Hongkong, June 22, 1912. 817

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Gregory, after having

arrived from the above ports, Con-

signees of Cargo are hereby informed that

their goods will be delivered from along-

side.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be

landed at once at Consignees' risk and

expense.
Consignees of cargo from Singapore and

Penang are requested to take IMMEDIATE

delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Such Cargo impeding the discharge of the

vessel will be landed and stored at

Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned bythe Underwriters.
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 24, 1912. 823

EXCHANGE

Hongkong, June 24, 1912.

On London—

Bank of India, 100/00 ... 2/10

On demand, 100/00 ... 2/10

30 days sight, 100/00 ... 2/10

4 months sight, 100/00 ... 2/10

Credita, 4 months sight, 100/00 ... 2/10

On Paris—

On demand, 100/00 ... 257 1/2

Credita, 4 months sight, 100/00 ... 257 1/2

On Berlin—

On demand, 100/00 ... 209

On New York—

On demand, 100/00 ... 49 1/2

Credita, 30 days sight, 100/00 ... 50 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire, 100/00 ... 152

On demand, 100/00 ... 152 1/2

On Calcutta—

Wire, 100/00 ... 152

On demand, 100/00 ... 152 1/2

On Shanghai—

On demand, 100/00 ... 72 1/2

30 days sight, (private paper) 73 1/2

On Yokohama—

On demand, 100/00 ... 100

Gold Leaf, 100 fms. (per tael) ... \$5.10

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... \$7.75

Silver (per oz.) ... 22 1/2

Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 73 1/2 prem.

Chinese Copper Cash ... 407 1/2

Rate of India Interest ... 4 1/2

Chinese Sub. Coin ... 24 1/2

Hongkong Sub. Coin ... 24 1/2

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per P. & O. s.s. Nubia, from London

June 15, due Hongkong, June 24, Lieut.

Bowen.

Per P. & O. s.s. Malaga, connecting

with the s.s. Decatur at Colombo. Due

Hongkong July 4. From London, May

31, Mr C. Pemberton, Mr D. O'Connor,

Mr A. Jackson, Dr C. W. McKenny.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Aki Maru, from Lon-

don May 25, Mr and Mrs D. Heaton Ellis,

Mr Hoque, Mr Salford, Mr J. Gordon,

Capt. J. Kobayashi, Fleet Paymaster T.

Hideo, Miss Bennett.

Per N. D. L. s.s. Torok, due Hongkong

July 24. From Bremen, May 15, Miss E.

Foster.

Per P. & O. s.s. Sardinia, from London

June 25, due Hongkong Aug. 7, Mr A.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

RUMOURS DENIED.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Dear Sir,—May we, through the

medium of your valuable paper, remove

any fears which the recent action of the

Sanitary Department, in the enforced

removal of the ceilings in our premises,

may have aroused in the minds of our

customers; and also deny the several

glibly uttered rumours which have been

spread in view of the Board's action in

respect of this building.

In view of these rumours we are

authorized by the head of the Sanitary

Department (whose officers, carried out

and supervised the removal of the ceilings)

to say that their decision in having

such ceilings removed has been with a

view to preventing, by the extermination

of rats, the building being infected; the

idea being that a Restaurant or Eating

House is the most likely place in which

rats are likely to congregate.

In writing as we do to allay any fears

which such rumours may have brought

about, we would say that this letter has

been submitted to both the Head of the

Sanitary Department and to the Medical

Officer of Health; and that it bears their

endorsement.

We would also add that our Bakery

(which has been especially constructed

as such), where all our bread, cakes,

etc., are made is situated close to East

Point Gas Works. This fact will, we

feel sure, remove all fear from the minds

of such as were inclined to put any

significance to the fact of the ceilings

being removed from our Cafe, and such

as put credence in the absurd rumours

which have reached us concerning the

staff and the supplies from this estab-

lishment.—Yours, etc.,

WEISMAN, LIMITED,

R. H. MORT, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1912.

[Note:—The manager of Cafe Weismann

informs us that not a single rat was seen

during the removal of the ceilings, which

indeed is not a matter for surprise. If

the money now being spent by the

Sanitary Board were expended in the

erection on the hill side of tanks and a

pumping system for the flushing of the

city's drains with sea-water during drought

the results would be far more beneficial

and satisfactory.—Ed. C.M.]

SPORTING.

Kowloon Cricket Club.

PRESENTATION OF CRICKET AND TENNIS